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SUBJ: GUATEMALA PARTICIPATION IN HAVANA WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL

REF: (A) STATE 84164 (NOTAL (B) GUATEMALA 4108

1. A DELEGATION OF SOME THIRTY TO FIFTY YOUNG WORKERS AND STUDENTS LEFT GUATEMALA FOR CUBA ON JULY 21. TRAVEL IS BY BUS (TRANSPORTES GALGOS) TO MEXICO CITY, THENCE TO HAVANA BY AIR. WELL ATTENDED FAREWELL PARTY STAGED JULY 18 AT NATIONAL CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC.

2. STUDENT LEADERS DENIED REPORTS OF THREATS (REF B) AND STATED THAT YOUNG ARTISTS, ATHLETES AND STUDENT LEADERS WOULD GO TO CUBA AS PLANNED. DELEGATION, THEY SAID, WOULD INCLUDE NOT ONLY STUDENTS FROM SAN CARLOS UNIVERSITY, BUT ALSO FROM PRIVATE RAFAEL LANDIVAR UNIVERSITY AND FROM SOME SECONDARY SCHOOLS. THE DELEGATION WOULD COMPRISE THOSE

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SELECTED AT THE APRIL YOUTH FESTIVAL HELD HERE. TRAVEL EXPENSES, ACCORDING TO STUDENT LEADER EDUVINA HERNANDEZ, CAME FROM UNSPECIFIED LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL SOURCES. AMONG ATTENDEES FROM GUATEMALA WILL BE RAUL MEONO (WHO WILL FUNCTION BOTH AS A PARTICIPANT AND AS A REPORTER FOR LA NACION ON FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES) AND LESTER ROMERO GODINEZ, WELL KNOWN MUSICIAN (MARIMBA). AEU PRESIDENT IRIAS (REF B) HAS BEEN IN

MEXICO DOING ADVANCE WORK FOR THE GROUP.

3. ALTHOUGH EDUCATION AND FOREIGN MINISTERS HAVE STATED
THAT TRIP DEMONSTRATES BASIC FREEDOM EXISTING IN GUATEMALA,
MINISTER OF GOVERNMENT WAS QUOTED IN PRESS AS STATING "IT
REMAINS TO BE SEEN IF THEY CAN OR WILL WANT TO RETURN TO
GUATEMALA..."

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